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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. McCone

1. This is in response to your memorandum requesting that I make an immediate study for possible reconsideration of the parking arrangements at the new building.

2. I believe that our plans provide for adequate but not excessive parking space. We estimate that we will need approximately [REDACTED] parking spaces, and ATINTL our plans, when completed, will provide for [REDACTED]. The proposed new West parking lot (approximately 1800 feet from the nearest entrance to the building) was selected after careful study of other possibilities. The closest area to the building which would appear to meet our requirements is immediately to the west of the cafeteria. We know that this would be a very expensive area to develop since this hill is solid rock. In addition, it screens the power plant and substation, as well as other less attractive parts of the site, from a large part of the building. We also wanted to reserve this area for possible future expansion of the building. Another site adjacent to the North property line (approximately 1100 feet from the nearest entrance to the building) was also considered and discarded because of excessive expense involved in grading, clearing and other construction, and the fact that utilizing this area would destroy our screen of trees along the George Washington Memorial Parkway.

3. I believe that this was a correct decision, that we should proceed with construction of the new West parking lot, and, while so doing, provide for a heliport at that location. I also believe that it is feasible to establish some sort of bus service from the more remote areas of our parking lots and will ask Colonel White to study this possibility in further detail.

4. I agree with all of the points made in paragraph 3. of your memorandum and, with the exception of the marking of parking spaces, action has already been completed to comply.

5. I have placed this item on the agenda for our meeting on 6 December and have asked Colonel White to be prepared to give the group a more detailed briefing.

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